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SUBJECT: GREEK PRESS COVERAGE OF PRESIDENT FORD'S CYPRUS REPORT

1. SURPRISINGLY LOW KEY COVERAGE WAS GIVEN BY ATHENS GREEK LANGUAGE PRESS TO ACCOUNT OF PRESIDENT FORD'S FEBRUARY 5 REPORT TO CONGRESS ON CYPRUS PROGRESS. IN NO CASE DID STORY APPEAR ON FRONT PAGE AND, IN FACT, NOT ALL DAILIES CARRIED THE TIEM. THIS MINIMUM PLAY IN ITSELF IS SIGNIFICANT, GIVEN THE PAST PROCLIVITY OF ATHENS JOURNALS TO PRESENT US STATEMENTS ON CYPRUS ISSUE IN WORSE POSSIBLE LIGHT. SUBDUED COVERAGE WAS ALSO SURPRISING GIVEN FACT THAT PRESIDENT'S REPORT WAS MADE IN THE WAKE OF NON-PRODUCTIVE BILATERAL GREEK-TURKISH DISCUSSIONS IN ATHENS ON THE FIR ISSUE AND IN BERN ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF ISSUE.

2. REPRESENTATIVE HEADLINES FOLLOW: TO VIMA (LIBERAL, OPPOSITION) "MR FORD EMPHASIZES TO CONGRESS PROGRESS IN CYPRUS"; APOYEVMATINI (CONSERVATIVE, PRO-
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GOVT) "MR FORD SEES SOLUTION TO CYPRUS PROBLEM";

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VRADYNI (CONSERVATIVE, PRO GOVT) "MR FORD SEES
THINGS AS ROSY"; TA NEA (LIBERAL OPPOSITION)
"MR FORD SEES PROGRESS ON CYPRUS: WHAT DOES HE
BASE IT ON?" IN ALL CASES CITED ABOVE, STORY ON
REPORT WAS MELDED INTO CONTEXT OF BROADER STORIES ON
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